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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL Address to: Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop RCE P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	10/727,713
	Filing Date:	December 4, 2003
	First Named Inventor	Charles Buchan Ritchie
	Art Unit	1743
	Examiner	Jyoti Nagpaul
	Attorney Docket No.	8830-257US (192507)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

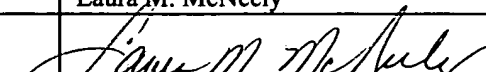
- Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
 - ☐ Previously submitted If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
 - ☐ Other
 - ☒ Enclosed
 - ☒ Amendment/Reply ☐
 - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- Miscellaneous**
 - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
 - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - ☐ Other:
 - ☐ Other
- Fees** (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)
 - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.
 - ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
 - ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
 - ☐ Other
 - ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 790.00 enclosed
 - ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name	Robert E. Cannuccio	Registration No.	36,469
Signature		Date	August 14, 2006

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

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